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SUBJECT: KAUNDA VISIT TO US

1. THEMES OF EDITORIALS IN ZAMBIA'S TWO DAILIES TODAY APRIL 19 ON KAUNDA VISIT TO US ARE STRIKINGLY SIMILAR: IT IS MISSION OF KAUNDA TO PERSUADE US ADMINISTRATION TO RECOGNIZE REALITIES OF SOUTHERN AFRICA AND ALIGN ITSELF WITH THE AMERICAN PEOPLE WHO, AS INDO-CHINA EXPERIENCE SHOWS, WANT ONLY PEACE AND PROGRESS AND NOT MILITARY ADVENTURES OR ASSOCIATION WITH CORRUPT, UNREPRESENTATIVE REGIMES.

2. TIMES OF ZAMBIA WRITES: KAUNDA MEETING WITH PRESIDENT FORD AND "NOT THE COMMONWEALTH CONFERENCE IS UNDOUBTEDLY THE HIGHLIGHT OF PRESIDENT KAUNDA'S EXTRAORDINARY TOUR... IT COULD PROVIDE A TURNING POINT IN USG POLICY TOWARDS SOUTHERN AFRICA. IF PRESIDENT KAUNDA FAILS TO IMPRESS INDELIBLY ON PRESIDENT FORD THAT IT IS FATAL ERROR IN POLICY OF THE USG TO CONTINUE TO BELIEVE "THERE IS NO HOPE FOR THE BLACKS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA TO GAIN THE POLITICAL RIGHTS THEY DESIRE FROM WHITE SUPREMACISTS BY ANY MEANS, INCLUDING VIOLENCE, THEN FOR A LONG TIME NO AFRICAN LEADER WILL HELP THE LEADERS OF AMERICA TO UNDERSTAND SOUTHERN AFRICA... THE CURRENT POLICY OF SUPPORTING REACTIONARY LEADERS AND THEIR MINORITIES IS NO DIFFERENT FROM THE POLICIES OF THE US ADMINISTRATIONS BEFORE FORD'S WHICH HAVE BROUGHT AMERICA HUMILIATIONS AND DISASTERS IN SOUTH EAST ASIA... DONALD EASUM

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WAS SACKED BY KISSINGER FOR READING LOUDLY TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT

THE WRITING ON THE WALLS IN PRETORIA. AFRICA MAY HAVE TO LOOK MORE TO THE AMERICAN PUBLIC AND LESS TO THE USVFOR GENUINE SUPPORT OVER SOUTHERN AFRICA. THE TRAGEDY OF AMERICA IS THAT AN OTHERWISE PROGRESSIVE PEOPLE HAS BEEN FRUSTRATED BY GOVERNMENT REACTIONALISM (SIC)."

3. GRZ-OWNED DAILY MAIL: "DESPITE ITS SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT WITH A SOCIAL ORDER BASED ON CAPITALISM, THE USA CAN BOAST TODAY OF HAVING IN ITS SOCIETY MILLIONS OF ORDINARY AMERICAN CITIZENS WHO ARE GOD-FEARING AND WHOSE MORAL AND SPIRITUAL EVALUATION IS SECOND TO NONE. IT IS THESE ORDINARY AMERICANS WHO HAVE FORMED THE SPIRITUAL BASIS OF THE VOICE OF REASON WHICH IN TURN HAS FORCED THE USG TO DISENGAGE FROM INDOCHINA... THE RESULT NOW IS THAT THERE IS ALREADY PEACE IN SOME COUNTRIES OF INDOCHINA AND VERY SOON THE WHOLE AREA WILL BE AN OASIS OF PEACE... THE TIME HAS COME FOR THE LEADERSHIP IN THE USA TO UNDERSTAND THE MOOD OF ITS OWN PEOPLE. THEY ARE NOT INTERESTED IN MILITARY ADVENTURES... IN HAVING THEIR COUNTRY ASSOCIATED WITH CORRUPT REGIMES WHICH ARE NOT REPRESENTATIVE... IN MINORITY REGIMES WITH OUTMODED RACIAL POLICIES... THEY WANT TO SEE THEIR GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATED WITH LEADERS WHO ARE FIGHTING FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE, PROGRESS AND PEACE... PRESIDENT KAUNDA...IS ONE OF THE VERY FEW AFRICAN LEADERS WHO HAVE BEEN HEAVILY INVOLVED IN THE PROBLEM OF SOUTHERN AFRICA... THE US LEADERSHIP WOULD DO WELL TO LISTEN TO PRESIDENT KAUNDA. IT IS TIME THE USG ASSOCIATED ITSELF WITH THE TRUE LEADERS OF THE PEOPLE IN OTHER COUNTRIES AND NOT WITH FORTUNE SEEKERS... IT IS TIME AMERICA JOINED RUSSIA AND CHINA, WHO HAVE CONSISTENTLY ASSOCIATED THEMSELVES WITH THE TRUSSLEADERS OF THE PEOPLE AND WHO HAVE HELPED DEVELOPING COUNTRIES NOT FOR WHAT THEY COULD GET FOR THEMSELVES BUT BECAUSE THEY FELT IT WAS THEIR INTERNATIONAL DUTY. IF THERE IS TO BE A CHANGE OF HEART, IT MUST START WITH THE PRESENT VISIT OF PRESIDENT KAUNDA TO THE USA. THE FACT IS THAT, WHILE SOUTH AFRICA CAN PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE TO BRING PEACE TO SOUTHERN AFRICA, HER PACE CAN BE ACCELERATED AND HER DETERMINATION STRENGTHENED WITH ENCOURAGEMENT FROM THE USAWX WE ALSO HOPE THE PRESENCE OF PRESIDENT KAUNDA WILL HELP THE AMERICAN PEOPLE...TO PLAY AN EFFECTIVZHROLE TO INFLUENCE THE THINKING OF THEIR LEADERS IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION."

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